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SUBJECT: RECENT MAKARIOS STATEMENTS AND "INTERNATIONALIZATION"

- 1. SUMMARY: MAKARIOS CALLS FOR "MEASURES" TO FORCE GOT TO COMPLY WITH UN RESOLUTIONS, LOOKS TO MORE HELPFUL SUG ROLE. HIS RECENT "INTERNATIONALIZATION" HAS PRODUCED MUCH ACTIVITY, BUT PALTRY PRACTICAL RESULT. END SUMMARY.
- 2. ARCHBISHOP'S MAY 15 GREETING TO AABSO PRESIDIUM (FBIS TA 151957ZTKOTAL) AND MAY 10 MESSAGE TO LONDON CONFERENCE FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF UN RESOLUTIONS ON CYPRUS (FBIS TA 101629Z NOTAL) HAD SIMILAR THREADS:INDIVISIBILITY OF FREEDOM AMONG PEOPLES AND SMALL STATES, CLOSE LINKAGE BETWEEN CYPRUS AND "PROGRESSIVE"FORCES, TRAUMA CAUSED BY TURK AGRESSION, TURK REFUSAL TO IMPLEMENT UN RESOLUTIONS, FLAT TURNDOWN OF "NEW REALITIES" AND TURK FAITS ACCOMPLIS.

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3. MESSAGE TO AAPSO ARGUED NEED FOR "PRACTICAL MEASURES

WHICH COULD FORCE TURKEY TO SEE REASON AND BEHAVE ITSELF." PRO-MAKARIOS PRESS MAY 16 HIGHLIGHTED THIS POINT, LINKING IT TO MORE EXPLICIT CALL BY LAST WEEKEND'S LONDON CONFERENCE FOR ECONOMIC, POLITICAL SANCTIONS AGAINST TURKEY AND TURK OCCUPATION ZONE IN CYPRUS. ARCHBISHOP ALSO TOLD AAPSO THAT (A) VIENNA I HAD PRODUCED NO POSITIVE RESULT, (B) GREEK CYPRIOTS HEADING TO VIENNA II WITH "OPEN MIND AND SPIRIT OF GOODWILL" BUT RECENT TURK STATEMENTS "NOT VERY ENCOURAGING."

- 4. COMMENT: ONCE MORE, MAKARIOS IS PLAYING HIS "INTERNATIONALIZATION" GAME ON MANY TABLES. IN PAST TWO WEEKS, HE HAS GARNERED RHETORICAL SUPPORT FROM COMMONWEALTH HEADS OF GOVERNMENT; COMMUNIST/LEFTIST GAGGLE IN LONDON; AAPSO PRESIDIUM; FORMIN GROMYKI AND LOCAL WARSAW PACT AMBASSADORS. AT MOMENT, VISITING PLO REPS ARE STRESSING "COMMON STRUGGLE" OF GOC AND PALESTINIANS WHILE MAKARIOS PREPARES TO VISIT ARAB CAPITALS IN QUEST FURTHER SUPPORT. ARCHBISHOP LOOKS AHEAD TO OTHER PLATFORMS: JUNE UNSC MEETING ON UNFICYP EXTENSION; JULY 15-22 "WEEK OF INTERNATIONAL SOLIDARITY FOR CYPRUS", DURING WHICH LONDON CONFEREES WILL REASSEMBLE ON ISLAND; ANDCOE HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE DEBATE, NOW SET FOR JULY.
- 5. ALL THIS ACTIVITY GIVES MAKARIOS SOME BREATHING ROOM, BUT HAS PRODUCED PALTRY RESULT OTHER THAN INCREASING GOT IRRITATION WITH ARCHBISHOP. END COMMENT. BROWN

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